

Docket No.: 4491-053 Appln No.: 10 163, 734 Patent No.: Applicant(s): The Stamp of the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office acknowledges receipt of the	PTO Stamp Here
Acknowledgement, Req. No Fee Since IDS/Form 1449/Ref(s) Amendment/Response Since Issue/Publication Fee Amendment After Final Since Maintenance Fee Appeal Brief (in Triplicate) Since Missing Parts, Resp w/Dec. Assignment Since Missing Parts, Resp w/Dec. Notice of Appeal Oral Hearing, Req. Oral Hearing, Req. Power of Attorney Priority Document(s) Refund, Req. Declaration, Subst/Supp Drawing Revision, Req. Extension of Time, Petition Filing Rcpt, Req for Corrust Formal Dwgs (# of Shts) RCE (Req for Continued Examination) RCE (Req for Continued Examination) RCE (Req for Continued Examination) REG. IDS/Form 1449/Ref(s) ISSUE/Publication Fee Maintenance Fee Missing Parts, Resp w/Dec. Notice of Appeal Oral Hearing, Req. Priority Document(s) Refund, Req. Reply Brief (in Triplicate) Revoke Pwr Atty/New Appt. Status Inquiry Terminal Disclaimer	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ No Fee No Fee No Fee No Fee No Fee No Fee \$ No Fee \$ \$ \$ \$ \$
Other Chrq to Dep. Acct.	No.
Check No Credit card authorization form 58 Amount \$ 180 Filed by: Date:	



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Inventor(s): Toukichi ICHIGE : Confirmation No.2656

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/663,734 : Group Art Unit: 3752

Filed: September 17, 2003 : Examiner: DARREN W. GORMAN

For: WATER-ACTIVATING SHOWER APPARATUS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the documents be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date and after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of the Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance.

The undersigned hereby certifies that no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was

known to any individual designated in Sec. 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement (37 CFR 1.97(e)(2)).

A credit card authorization form in the amount of \$180.00 is attached. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 07-1337.

Respectfully submitted,

LOWE HAUPTMAN & BERNER, LLP

Zenneth M. Beiner Kenneth M. Berner

Registration No. 37,093

1700 Diagonal Road, Suite 310 Alexandria, Virginia 22314

(703) 684-1111 KMB/jd Facsimile: (703) 518-5499

Date: February 16, 2005

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION (PTO-1449)			RE	ATTY. DOCKET NO. 4495-053		U.S. PATENT APPLICATION NO. 10/663,734		
				APPLICANT Toukichi ICHIGE				
				FILING DATE September 17, 2003		GROUP 3752		
19 C.		U.S. PA	ATENT DO	CUMENTS				
EXAMISIER INITIALS	PATENT NO.	DATE		NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE	
	 							
	 							
								
								
	 							
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				····				
		FOREIGNA	PATERNATA	OCUMENTS.				
EXAMINER'S	PATENT NO.	DATE		Andrew Complete Strategy of the Service			Translation	
INITIALS	JP2001173050A		COUNTRY		CLASS	SUBCLASS	Yes No	
	JP11147089A	1999/6/2	Japan					
	JP2002001217A	2002/1/8	Japan					
	012002001217A	2002/1/8	J:	apan				
Spillso range Spanne			Marie Salar Sa		n Marketta and			
	eer-es _e onher	ARIEGnelodingeAn	thore Eitla	ANGES DE SE	Description	K Maria San Carlo		
			enor, y muc	; Date; Fertinen	rages, rice			
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
		-		·				
XAMINER			DAT	E CONSIDEREI)			
				_				

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to Applicant.